

The Rochester Philatelic Association, Inc

HINGES & TONGS

MEETINGS ARE HELD 2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS SEPT.-JUNE AT ST. PAULS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

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1993

Special 2nd Day of Issue Ceremony for the new Deaf Stamps

Ceremonies will take place on Tuesday, September 21 for the se-tenant "I Love You" American Sign Language stamps at the RIT Robert F. Panara Theater, beginning at 9AM.

The National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID) is celebrating its own 25th anniversary in conjunction with the stamps. A special pictorial postmark will be made available in the lobby of RIT's Lyndon Baines Johnson Building for those interested, after the event, where the stamps will also be made available. The postmark features a flowering crabapple tree, symbol of NTID's 25th anniversary, denoting the growth and strength of its students and programs.

NTID is the largest technical college for deaf students in the world. Rochester has one of the largest per capita deaf populations in the country, including the more than 1,100 students at NTID.

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1993-4 RPA MEETING SCHEDULE

(Subject to Revision)

Silent auctions at all meetings except as noted

1993

September	9	Fun and Games Night - Stamp Bingo
	23	"Basics of Stamp Exhibiting" APS slide show (one page exhibit on any subject)
October	14	Live Auction Night (Warren Stevens worldwide material)
	28	"Stamp Printing Methods, Identified & Illustrated" APS slide show (one page exhibit, "My favorite cover")
November	11	"Battleship Revenues & Their Differences" talk by Walter Orton (one page exhibit on any subject)
	25	<u>No meeting - Thanksgiving</u>
December	9	RPA Christmas Party (one page exhibit, "Christmas")
	23	<u>No meeting - Christmas</u>

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January	13	"He Who Knows All Tells All" talk by Dr. Louis Call "He" will identify your unknowns & postal history items
	27	"First Five Years of Government Issued Air Mail Stamps of the World" slide show (one page exhibit on any subject)
February	10	Members Bourse Night - no silent auction this meeting
	24	"Irish Philately" slide show (one page exhibit on any subject)
March	10	Quiz Night and <u>ROPEX</u> one frame competition
	24	ROPEX Preparation Night & "Detecting Forgeries" slide show (one page exhibit, "Trains")
April	7	ROPEX SET UP
	8,9,10	ROPEX National Stamp Show, Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn
	14	Field Trip - GMF Post Office Tour on Jefferson Rd. 7:30 PM
	28	"Blow the Whistle; Design Errors on Sports Stamps" slide show (one page exhibit on any subject)
May	12	Live presentation - to be arranged
	26	"Slips on Ships on Stamps" slide show (one page exhibit, "Summer Activities")
June	9	Annual RPA Business Meeting and election of officers
	23	Kiloware and Strawberries Night

New this year is a once a month one page exhibit contest.

Members are encouraged to submit a one page display on the subject selected that month. Attendees will vote on their favorite and a monthly prize goes to the winner. A paid banquet ticket will go to the person with the highest cumulative total points.



Letter of Thanks

I would like to thank all the members of the RPA who thought of me, dropped cards, or called during my throat problems. Your support was greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Brad Sterling

Meeting Notice

The Board of Governors will meet briefly following the close of the regular RPA meeting September 9th.

HELP! HELP!

The RPA committee trying to put together the history has gone through all of the written records, ROPEX programs and *Hinges and Tongs* that were stored in the clubs locker at the church. These are incomplete. We are in need of ROPEX chairman names from the following years: 1980, 1970, 1969, 1964. We also need dates, site and other info including a program from these years. We also need RPA officers names from the years: 1966/67, 1943, 1942, 1941, 1939, 1936, 1930-33, and 1918-19. While we have the Presidents name in other years we do not have all the officers names or board members for many others. Can anybody give us this info? We would like to have a complete file of H&T. If you have any copies that you would like to donate please call Tom Fortunato at (716) 621-1670.

If you have any memories about special programs, club activities, trips or amusing events let us know. And finally what happened to the Municipal Collection started in the 1930's?

In Memory of
Michael W. Magin

Dec. 26, 1913 July 11, 1993

RPA Life member

NEARBY SHOWS

Sept. 11&12 Marketplace Inn Sat. 10 - 6
800 Jefferson Rd. Sun. 10 - 5

Sept. 25&26 AMPOLPEX Sat. 10 - 7
Buffalo, NY Sun. 10 - 5
St. Stanislaus Social Center
Fillmore at Peckham

Oct. 10 Holiday Inn Sun. 10 - 3
Brooks Ave. Rochester

Oct. 15&16 STEPEX Fri. 10 - 9
Arnot Mall, Rt 17 Sat. 10 - 8
Horseheads, NY

Nov. 6&7 Marketplace Inn Sat. 10 - 6
800 Jefferson Rd. Sun. 10-5



Phone Cards

Phone cards - the latest collecting rage. Here is an example from the United Arab Emirates. Rather than deposit coins into a telephone, callers buy cards of various denominations to insert into special slots on phones. Magnetic strips contain data on the reverse, which when used up, have no value, except for collectors.

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Program

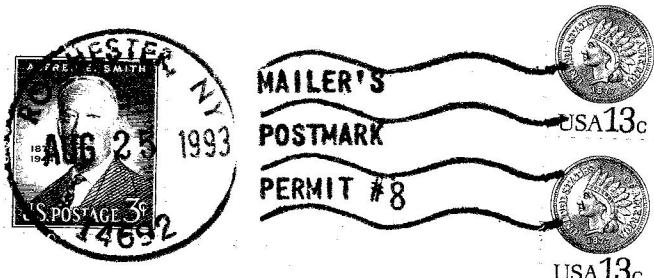
Please note that a new monthly program will be tried this year starting with the Sept. 23 meeting. A one page exhibit contest will be held and the winners will be chosen by the most popular vote of the membership. Points to be accumulated toward a year end prize. Every member that enters will receive points. Complete details in this issue of H&T.

Rules for RPA One Page Exhibit Contests

1. Only one entry per member will be allowed per contest. To qualify, entrants must be present before any voting begins.
2. Material displayed must be the property of the exhibitor. Collateral material is acceptable, but the emphasis should be philatelic in nature.
3. The maximum page size is 8 1/2 x 11 inches. Any paper type or color is acceptable.
4. No reference to the exhibitor's name is allowed on the display's front. If necessary, window addresses, etc. The exhibitor's name must appear on the reverse of his or her exhibit.
5. The theme of each contest will appear in an issue of *Hinges & Tongs*. "Any subject" contests allow the exhibitor to select any topic or philatelic area.
6. Voting will begin and end at the call of the presiding officer. Every member and guest shall have one vote signifying a preference among the exhibits.
7. Votes will be counted by two non-exhibiting members. Improperly marked ballots are void. In case of a tie, multiple winners are declared. Winners receive prizes.
8. Point totals toward the year end grand prize are as follows:

1st place	5 points
2nd place	4 points
3rd place	3 points
4th place	2 points
all other entrants	1 point
9. Point totals from previous contests in a given season will be cumulative to determine an overall grand champion, who will receive a special award. The recording secretary will record all votes for each contest.
10. All queries shall be addressed to the presiding officer, whose judgment is final.

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